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In Re U.S. Continuation Patent Application of:)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Before examination of this Application, please make the following amendments. Also enclosed, as Attachment A, is a copy of Claims 4, 5, 7, and 8 as amended hereinbelow.

In the Specification:

On Page 1, after the title, please insert the sentence: --This Application is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/GB00/02390, with an international filing date of 21 June 2000, now pending (which is hereby incorporated by reference).--

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DESCRIPTION--.

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